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CHRONOLOGY: NORTH KOREA
 MAY 1986

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30 April - 16 May	Colonel General Chon Mun-uk heads delegation of North Korean war veterans to Soviet Union at the invitation of the Soviet Committee of War Veterans; delegation also visits Bulgaria. []	25X1
1 May	Workers celebrate May Day; Foreign Minister Kim Yong-nam is present. []	25X1
2-3 May	Road workers hold national meeting in P'yongyang; Premier Kang Song-san and other senior officials attend. []	25X1
3-23 May	Economic delegation, headed by External Economic Affairs Vice Minister Kim Chong-u, visits Italy. []	25X1
4 May	(West) German Communist Party Chairman Herbert Mies meets with Kim Yong-sun, a KWP department vice director, and the delegation attending the Eighth Congress of the (West) German Communist Party. []	25X1
	In an interview with Tass, Soviet Olympic Committee Chairman Gramov affirms support for North Korea's proposal for cohosting the 1988 Olympics. []	25X1

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4-16 May Yang Hyong-sop, chairman of the Supreme People's Assembly, heads KWP delegation to Syria for official talks at the invitation of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party National Command. Yang meets with Syrian Vice President 'Abd al-Halim Khaddam in Damascus. [] 25X1

5 May 50th anniversary of the founding of the Fatherland Restoration Association; Vice President Pak Song-ch'ol makes report at KWP Central Committee meeting. [] 25X1

Polish United Communist Workers Party delegation, headed by Agriculture Chief Stefan Zawodzinski, arrives in P'yongyang. [] 25X1

Peruvian President Garcia meets with Yi In-chun, new head of North Korean trade mission in Peru. [] 25X1

6 May North Korea announces its admission into the International Maritime Organization on 16 April. [] 25X1

Delegation of the League of Socialist Working Youth returns from visit to Japan. [] 25X1

Literary and art delegation, headed by Ch'oe Yong-hwa, tours Beijing, Guangzhou, Shanghai, Tianjin and other Chinese cities; meets with Deng Liqun, member of the Secretariat of the Chinese Communist Party. [] 25X1

435th meeting of Military Armistice Commission (MAC) held at Panmunjom. [] 25X1

6-15 May A coal and geological delegation from North Hamgyong Province, headed by No Tae-chong, visits Changchun, Tonghua, Hunjiang, Liaoyuan and Hunchun. In Changchun, the delegation visits a coal research institute, the Changchun Geological College and a motor plant. [] 25X1

7 May Burkina Faso President Thomas Sankara announces full support for North Korea's proposal for cohosting the Olympic games. (KCNA 7 May 1986) [] 25X1

KWP Secretary Ho Tam meets with Akira Iwai, head of the "Asian Peace Boat" delegation of Japan. Iwai is chairman of the Japan committee supporting the reunification of Korea. [] 25X1

North Korea and the Soviet Union sign protocol in Moscow on the boundaries of the economic waters and continental shelves; protocol is signed by Korean Ambassador Kwon Hui-kyong and Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Kapitsa. [] 25X1

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[redacted]

North Korean Ambassador to Iceland Chon Yong-chin presents credentials to Icelandic President Finnbogadottir. [redacted] 25X1

8 May North Korean gymnasts perform in Zimbabwe to help celebrate the sixth anniversary of Zimbabwean independence. President Banana, Prime Minister Mugabe and other high officials are present. [redacted] 25X1

Kim Ch'ang-yong leads a delegation of the League of Socialist Working Youth to China. [redacted] 25X1

9 May North Korean trade union delegation returns home from visits to Romania and Soviet Union. [redacted] 25X1

North Korean Academy of Social Sciences delegation, headed by Academy Vice President Chong Song-mu, returns from Cuba. [redacted] 25X1

North Korean agricultural delegation, headed by Om Tok-hwan, meets with Tanzanian President Mwinyi; delegation is advance group for joint agriculture venture. Mwinyi expresses support for Korean reunification. [redacted] 25X1

Kyoto delegation supporting Korean reunification and Japan-Korea friendship and solidarity arrives in P'yongyang; is headed by Koji Yachikuchi, Kyoto District Council General Secretary and General Secretary of the Kyoto Committee for Korean Reunification. [redacted] 25X1

Meeting to mark 30th anniversary of the completion of Pyongnam Irrigation System--first large-scale irrigation project--is held in South Pyongan province. [redacted] 25X1

9-14 May Chinese trade union delegation led by Ni Zhifu, Politburo member and President of the All China Federation of Trade Unions, visits P'yongyang--Ni's second visit of this kind to Korea. Ni and delegation meet with Kim Il-song; at reception hosted by Chinese embassy, both sides call for increased Sino-Korean friendly relations. [redacted] 25X1

10-23 May Delegation for Afro-Asian solidarity attends the 14th session of the Council of Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization held in the Soviet Union; participants express support for Korean reunification and demand withdrawal of US troops and nuclear weapons from South Korea. [redacted] 25X1

12 May Yu Kwan-chin leaves P'yongyang with delegation of League of Socialist Working Youth for visit to Romania, Poland and Hungary. [redacted] 25X1

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North Korean foreign language press group and East German publishing house sign press cooperation agreement in P'yongyang. []

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North Hamgyong Provincial Committee delegation returns from a visit to Vladivostok. []

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President of Madagascar Ratsiraka meets with Ambassador Chong T'ae-hwa in Antananarivo; supports Korean reunification and North Korea's proposal for cohosting the Olympics. (KCNA 17 May 1986) []

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Delegation of businessmen from the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan leaves P'yongyang. []

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13 May

Vice Premier Chong Chun-ki meets in P'yongyang with Chinese Wushu (martial arts) delegation headed by Yang Wanying, deputy director of the Shaanxi Provincial Sports Committee. []

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Party General Secretary of Afghanistan Najibullah meets with Ambassador Kang Hui-sun in Kabul; supports Korean reunification and the North Korean proposal for cohosting the 1988 Olympics. (KCNA 16 May 1986) []

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Kim Chong-il gives "working guidance" at direct sales stores and at Angol sports complex in P'yongyang. []

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Czechoslovakia and North Korea sign a working plan in P'yongyang for cooperation in medical science and health services for 1986-87. []

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13-19 May

Nagasaki Prefectural Friendship delegation, headed by Governor Isamu Takada, visits P'yongyang; meets with KWP Secretary Ho Tam. []

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14 May

Delegation of chemists from the Academy of Sciences, headed by Yi Sung-ki, meets with Chinese General Secretary Hu Yaobang in Beijing. []

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Agricultural delegation, headed by Pak Su-tong, leaves for Bulgaria and Poland. []

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Scientific and Technological Information Agency delegation, headed by its director, Yi Tong-kwan, leaves for the Soviet Union. []

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14 May - 3 June

Foreign Trade Minister Ch'oe Chong-kun, heading a government delegation, makes official visit to Guyana; meets with President H. Desmond Hoyte. []

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15 May Journalists union delegation, headed by Kangwon Ilbo Editor-in-Chief Yi Hui-uk, leaves for China. [] 25X1

Cuban party leaders screen North Korean documentary film about Castro's recent visit; film was gift to Castro from Kim Il-song. [] 25X1

At ceremony in Mondavi, Italy, the city council confers title of Honory Citizen on Kim Il-song and the Medal of Montaldo Di Mondovi, Italy, on Kim Chong-il. Vice Minister for External Economic Affairs Kim Chong-u, heading an economic delegation to Italy, accepts the honors. [] 25X1

16 May Public Health Minister Yi Chong-yul and delegation return from 39th general meeting of World Health Organization held in Geneva. [] 25X1

Foreign Ministry delegation, headed by Vice Minister Chon Chae-hong, returns from visits to Cuba, Mexico, Nicaragua and Guyana. [] 25X1

Chuche delegation from Nicaragua, headed by William Genet Barberena, arrives in P'yongyang. [] 25X1

Heading a party delegation to Mozambique, Kil Chae-kyong holds talks with Deputy Foreign Minister Mbanze. [] 25X1

16-19 May East German Liberal Democratic Party delegation, headed by Central Committee Chairman Gerlach, visits North Korea at invitation of the Social Democratic Party--also a minority party; meets with Kim Il-song. [] 25X1

16-21 May Libyan special envoy Kamal Hasan al-Mansur visits P'yongyang; holds talks with Foreign Minister Kim Yong-nam and meets with Kim Il-song. [] 25X1

16-24 May Costa Rican party delegation, headed by Deputy General Secretary Valverde, visits P'yongyang, Panmunjom and Mangyongdae--birthplace of Kim Il-song; delegation meets with Vice President Pak Song-ch'ol. [] 25X1

16-28 May Bulgarian-Korean friendship delegation, headed by Vice Minister of National Education Ivan Solakov, pays official visit to P'yongyang; meets with KWP Secretary Hwang Chang-yop. [] 25X1

17 May A group of Korean businessmen from Japan, headed by Chon Chin-sik, chairman of the Santama Society of Traders and Industrialists of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan, returns to Japan after visit to North Korea. [] 25X1

A Bulgarian metal and geological delegation, headed by Toncho Chakurov, Chairman of the Bulgarian metal economic complex, departs P'yongyang. [] 25X1

KWP Deputy Director Kim Yong-sun, heading a party delegation to the Fourth Congress of the Greek Communist Party, meets with party Chairman Leonidas Kyrkos; Kyrkos expresses support for Korean reunification. [] 25X1

17-21 May North Korea holds mass meetings in P'yongyang and provincial capitals of Wonsan, Haeju, Hamhung and Chongjin to mark the sixth anniversary of the Kwangju civil disturbances in South Korea; unusually small leadership turnout. [] 25X1

18 May North Korean Central News Agency announces construction of the Hyuangsan and Tongam lock gates by Korean People's Army (KPA) "soldier-builders." [] 25X1

18-23 May Hungarian Party Secretary Matyas Szuros and delegation make official visit to North Korea at invitation of KWP; announce support for Korean reunification. Delegation meets with Kim Il-song and holds talks with KWP Secretary Hwang Chang-yop. [] 25X1

19 May Bulgarian press delegation, headed by its Deputy Editor-in-Chief Kiril Panaiotov, meets with Vice Premier Chong Chun-ki. [] 25X1

Sino-Korean friendship delegation, headed by Vice Minister of Commerce U Ki(m)-nam, leaves for visit to China. [] 25X1

19-21 May Bulgaria holds 35th Congress of National Agrarian Union in Sofia; North Korean Agricultural Workers Union delegation attends, headed by its chairman, Pak Su-tong. [] 25X1

20 May Vice President Yi Chong-ok, Politburo member So Yun-sok and Vice Premier Chong Chun-ki attend meeting in P'yongyang to mark the 40th anniversary of the groundbreaking ceremony of the Potong River improvement project. [] 25X1

North Korean press denigrates US Senate resolution to send powdered milk to Poland following the Chernobyl' accident. [] 25X1

20-24 May Economic Guidance Committee Vice Chairman Hong In-ho leads a P'yongyang municipal friendship delegation to China; meets with Geng Biao, Vice Chairman of Standing Committee of China's National People's Congress. [] 25X1

20 May - 3 June Chondoist Chongu Party Chairman Chong Sin-hyok heads a delegation of the Democratic Front for the Reunification

of the Fatherland to China; meets with Deng Yingchao, chairman of National Committee of Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference in Xian, and Politburo member Xi Zhongxun. []

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21 May

KWP Secretary Ho Tam meets with delegation from Tokai Television Broadcasting Corporation of Japan, headed by its director, Takashi Suzuki. []

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Polish Embassy in P'yongyang marks the anniversaries of Kim Il-song's visits to Poland (1956 and 1984) and the 30th anniversary of the Korean-Polish cultural cooperation agreement; Vice Premier Chong Chun-ki makes speech. []

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Czechoslovakian Embassy holds reception to mark the 65th anniversary of the founding of the Czech Communist Party; KWP Secretary Kim Hwan makes speech. []

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KWP Secretary Hwang Chang-yop meets with Azuma Okuda, head of the Kyoto agricultural academic delegation. []

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Yugoslavian Vice President Hasani meets with North Korean Ambassador Yi In-kyu in Belgrade; supports North Korean proposal for reunification. []

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22 May

North Korea holds meeting to mark the 40th anniversary of the independence of Jordan; Korea-Jordan Friendship Association Chairman Kang Chong-pal is among those present. []

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US State Department denies visas to four North Koreans who had hoped to attend a 22-24 May seminar at George Washington University. Participants include South Korea, Soviet Union, China, Japan and United States. []

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Art show commemorating the 27th Soviet Party Congress opens in P'yongyang. []

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Party delegation, led by Central Committee Deputy Department Director Kil Chae-kyong, begins three days of meetings with Seychelles officials. []

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22-25 May

Delegation of General Association of Korean Residents in Japan, led by Standing Committee Chairman Han Tok-su, visits Moscow and Tashkent in Uzbekistan. []

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22-29 May

In Beijing Hamhung branch of North Korean Academy of Sciences signs agreement establishing ties with Changchun branch of Chinese Academy of Sciences. []

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23 May

Japanese press reports KWP Secretary Ho Tam has stated that Kim Chong-il will succeed Kim Il-song. Ho makes the statement to a visiting Japanese journalist. []

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[redacted]

KWP Secretary Kye Ung-t'ae reads congratulatory message at meeting to mark 40th anniversary of the founding of the State Theatrical Company. [redacted] 25X1

Ambassador to Ivory Coast Chang Su-sun presents credentials to President Houphouet-Boigny. [redacted] 25X1

Cape Verde Prime Minister Pedro Pires cancels visit to North Korea. Comment: Pires implies visit was canceled by North Korea due to Cape Verde's developing relations with South Korea. [redacted] 25X1

23-26 May Cameroonian party delegation, headed by its Central Committee Vice President Andre, makes official visit to North Korea. Delegation holds talks with KWP Secretary Hwang Chang-yop and meets with Kim Il-song. [redacted] 25X1

24 May North Korean trade union delegation, headed by Kang Ung-kil, leaves P'yongyang to attend 10th Trade Union Congress of Yugoslavia. [redacted] 25X1

Post and Telecommunications Minister Kim Yong-ch'ae heads delegation to the Soviet Union. [redacted] 25X1

Delegation of the North Korean Academy of Sciences, headed by Academy Vice President Kim Hwa-Chong, leaves P'yongyang for visit to Soviet Union. [redacted] 25X1

Koguryo Culture Exhibition Committee sponsors international symposium on "Koguryo Culture and Ancient Japan" in Tokyo. [redacted] 25X1

24 May - 3 June KWP Secretary Kim Hwan leads KWP delegation to the 19th Congress of the Mongolian People's Party; meets with Presidium Chairman Batmonh, who expresses support for North Korea's proposals for reunification and cohosting of the Olympics. (KCNA 3 June 1986) [redacted] 25X1

25 May 31st anniversary of the founding of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan. [redacted] 25X1

25 May - 2 June Delegation of Japanese social scientists from Ibaraki University, headed by Professor Mitsue Kobayashi, a councilor of the International Institute of the Chuche Idea, visits P'yongyang; meets with KWP Secretary Hwang Chang-yop. [redacted] 25X1

26 May North Korea marks the 11th anniversary of the signing of a friendship and cooperation treaty with Romania. In Romania, the occasion is noted with expressions of support for P'yongyang's calls for Korean reunification. [redacted] 25X1

Cuban civil aviation delegation arrives in P'yongyang. [redacted] 25X1

Party Secretary Hwang Chang-yop meets with Chinese delegation of the Central Party School, headed by Yang Beixian, deputy general secretary of the school. [] 25X1

Ambassador Kwon Hui-kyong marks the second anniversary of Kim Il-song's visit to the Soviet Union at the Embassy in Moscow. [] 25X1

In P'yongyang, North Korea and Mongolia sign plan for cooperation between foreign ministries. [] 25X1

26-30 May Liaoning Provincial Committee delegation, headed by Committee Secretary Li Guixian, visits North Pyongan Province in Sinuiju; meets with KWP Secretary Ho Tam in P'yongyang. [] 25X1

27 May KWP Secretary Hwang Chang-yop heads KWP delegation on a visit to China. [] 25X1

North Korean sports delegation, led by Pak Myong-chol, visits Chinese sports facilities as part of 1986 sports agreement. [] 25X1

North Korean and Bulgarian friendship associations sign 1986-87 cooperation plan in P'yongyang. [] 25X1

Chinese scientific-technological cooperation delegation, led by Deputy Minister of Scientific-Technology Commission Guo Shuyan, arrives in P'yongyang. [] 25X1

Japanese chuche study group, headed by Fujio Hanawa, arrives in P'yongyang. [] 25X1

27-30 May British Communist Party delegation, headed by its General Secretary Gordon McLellan, visits P'yongyang at invitation of KWP; holds talks with Vice President Pak Song-ch'ol and meets with Kim Il-song. [] 25X1

27-31 May Delegation of Romanian Army political officers, led by Deputy Defense Minister Ilie Ceausescu, visits P'yongyang. Lieutenant General Yun Ch'i-ho, Major General O Kyong-hwan and other high ranking KPA officers welcome them; Defense Minister O Chin-u speaks at banquet. Delegation meets with Kim Il-song. [] 25X1

28 May Yugoslavian leader Vidoje Zarkovic meets with Nodong Sinmun Editor-in-Chief Yi Song-pok, who is visiting Yugoslavia at the invitation of Kommunist. [] 25X1

29 May Meeting in P'yongyang marks National Day of Republic of Tunisia; Korea-Tunisia Friendship Association Chairman Chon Yon-ok and Vice Minister of General Education Kim Chi-ho are present. [] 25X1

	State Symphony Orchestra performs works of Soviet composers for visiting delegation of Soviet Composers' Union. []	25X1
	Mongolian agricultural trade union delegation, headed by Gendensurengin Bayart, arrives in P'yongyang. []	25X1
30 May	436th meeting of the Military Armistice Commission (MAC) held in Panmunjom; continues discussions on tension reduction measures. North Korea proposes removal of military establishments and guard posts as well as heavy and automatic weapons; reduction to 10 of number of guards posted and establishment of joint supervisory team to watch over joint security area. []	25X1
30 May - 4 June	Delegation from Burkina Faso, headed by National Secretary General Pierre Ouedraogo, visits P'yongyang; meets with Kim Il-song and Vice Premier Chong Chun-ki; expresses support for North Korea's reunification proposal. []	25X1
30 May - 10 June	Delegation of Left Socialist Party of Denmark, headed by Inger Johansen, visits P'yongyang; holds talks with KWP Deputy Department Director Kim Yong-sun and party secretary Hwang Chang-yop. []	25X1
31 May	North Korea and Nigeria celebrate 10th anniversary of establishment of diplomatic relations. []	25X1
	North Korean Central People's Committee announces appointment of Chang Ch'ol as Minister of Culture and Arts. Chang was Deputy Minister of Culture and Arts. []	25X1
	Lengthy Kim Il-song lecture on party building, declaring the succession problem is solved, is published. Party Secretary Ho Tam reads the lecture to assembled members of the party elite. []	25X1

LOOKING AHEAD

June	Malian President Moussa Traore planning a state visit to China, North Korea, and Tunisia. []	25X1
25 June	36th anniversary of beginning of Korean war. []	25X1
6 July	25th anniversary of signing of North Korean-Soviet Friendship Treaty. []	25X1
11 July	25th anniversary of signing of North Korean-Chinese Friendship Treaty. Japanese news service quotes Chinese sources as saying Beijing will send large delegation, headed by Vice Premier Tian Jiyun, to North Korea. []	25X1
27 July	33rd anniversary of signing of Korean Armistice Agreement. []	25X1
5 August	41st anniversary of National Liberation. []	25X1
Fall	East German leader Erich Honecker and Polish Prime Minister Wojciech Jaruzelski are planning to visit North Korea and Mongolia to return the 1984 visit of Kim Il-song to their countries, according to press reports. The leaders expect to discuss ways to strengthen bilateral relations. []	25X1
9 September	38th anniversary of founding of Democratic People's Republic of Korea. []	25X1
20 September - 7 October	Asian Games scheduled in Seoul. []	25X1
10 October	41st anniversary of the founding of Korean Workers Party (KWP). []	25X1
25 October	36th anniversary of entry of Chinese "volunteers" into Korean war. []	25X1
November- December	[] Soviet leader Gorbachev will visit P'yongyang; would be his first visit to an Asian country as General Secretary. []	25X1 25X1

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